



# County of San Diego

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### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION November 17, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of San Diego, Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), as lead agency, is circulating for public review a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed Ramona Grasslands Preserve Project.

**Project Location:** The project is located at the Ramona Grasslands Preserve southwest of the unincorporated township of Ramona, west of State Route 67, north of Highland Valley Road and east and west of Rangeland Road.

**Project Description:** The project proposes 8.6 miles of non-motorized multi-use trails, including 6.5 miles of existing trails and 2.1 miles of new trails within the 3,490 acre Ramona Grasslands Preserve. In addition, 2.0 miles of pathways are proposed along Highland Valley and Rangeland Roads. New infrastructure proposed for the northeast portion of the Preserve includes a staging area (three acres in size including visitor parking for 30 cars and 18 vehicles with horse trailers); ranger station/interpretive center/restroom facility; maintenance building; primitive amphitheatre; picnic areas; viewing pavilion/visitor kiosk; utility trenching; horse arena; and two volunteer pads. Public access in the northwest portion of the Preserve includes a proposed crossing of Santa Maria Creek. The project will also implement management directives in accordance with the Resource Management Plan.

**Availability:** The Draft MND can be reviewed at the following locations: County of San Diego, Department of Parks and Recreation, 5500 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, San Diego, CA 92123 or [http://www.sdcountry.ca.gov/parks/public\\_review.html](http://www.sdcountry.ca.gov/parks/public_review.html). The Draft MND can also be reviewed at the Ramona Library, located at 1275 Main Street, Ramona, CA 92065.

**Comments:** Written comments regarding the Draft MND should be directed to Megan Hamilton, Program Manager, [Megan.Hamilton@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Megan.Hamilton@sdcounty.ca.gov) or the DPR address above and must be received **no later than December 16, 2011** at 4:00 PM (public review period November 17 – December 16).

